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INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

International Application No

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A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER
IPC 7 A61M39/00

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B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)

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Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched

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C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

Category *	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
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Box I Observations where certain claims were found unsearchable (Continuation of Item 1 of first sheet)

This International Search Report has not been established in respect of certain claims under Article 17(2)(a) for the following reasons:

1. ☒ Claims Nos.: 2-6, 21
because they relate to subject matter not required to be searched by this Authority, namely:
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This International Searching Authority found multiple inventions in this International application, as follows:

see additional sheet

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1, 7-20, 22-23, 25-31

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Claims Nos.: 2-6,21

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This International Searching Authority found multiple (groups of) inventions in this international application, as follows:

1. claims: 1, 7-20, 22-23, 25-31

A component of medical small bore tubing and a kit of said components

2. claim: 24

A syringe for connection to a converter of a kit of components

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Information on patent family members

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